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The Honorable Joseph A. Marutollo United States Magistrate Judge Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: United States v. Shares of 21 East 61st Street Apartment Corp., et al.

Civil Docket No. 24-2147 (RPK) (JAM)

Dear Judge Marutollo:

The government writes pursuant to the Court's May 31, 2025 order directing the parties to submit by June 20, 2025 a status update regarding ongoing discovery disputes in the above-captioned matter. Specifically, the parties disagree about the breadth of the confidentiality designations applied by claimants' counsel to claimants' various responses to special interrogatories the government served on them.

In the late afternoon of Wednesday, June 18, 2025, counsel for the claimants provided the government with proposed confidentiality designations. The government briefly reviewed those designations and believes that many are inappropriate and overbroad. However, in order to appropriately assess the bases for these designations and prepare a potential challenge, the government intends to request further clarification from claimants' counsel. That process is ongoing.

Given the nature and volume of the material at issue, and to allow for a complete evaluation of the claimants' proposed designations, the government respectfully requests that the Court adjourn by at least 21 days the status conference currently scheduled for June 26, 2025. This adjournment will allow the parties to more meaningfully meet and confer, and potentially to narrow the scope of any dispute.

Counsel for the claimants has indicated they consent to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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